

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF
PROPOSITION 66

Prop. 66 is a poorly-written and COSTLY EXPERIMENT that would INCREASE CALIFORNIA'S RISK OF EXECUTING AN INNOCENT PERSON, add new layers of government bureaucracy and create even more legal delays in death penalty cases.

****Read the measure for yourself: According to the state's nonpartisan Legislative Analysts' Office, this measure could cost taxpayers TENS of MILLIONS of DOLLARS.**

Prop 66 is not real reform. Here's what EXPERTS SAY Prop. 66 WOULD ACTUALLY DO:

- INCREASE the chance that California executes an innocent person
- INCREASE TAXPAYER FUNDED legal defense for death row inmates
- REQUIRE the state to hire and pay for hundreds of new lawyers
- LEAD TO CONSTRUCTION of new TAXPAYER FUNDED DEATH ROW facilities
- CLOG county courts, forcing death penalty cases on inexperienced judges
- Lead to EXPENSIVE LITIGATION by lawyers who will challenge a series of confusing provisions

Prop. 66 is a perfect example of SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS abusing their power and pushing an agenda while claiming to seek reform. Look who's behind Prop 66: the prison guards' union which has an interest in funneling more money into the prison system and opportunistic politicians using the initiative to advance their careers.

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Experts agree: Prop. 66 is a POORLY WRITTEN, CONFUSING initiative that will only add MORE DELAY and MORE COSTS to California's death penalty.

Remember, MORE THAN 150 INNOCENT PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO DEATH, and some have been executed because of poorly written laws like this.

Californians deserve real reform. Prop. 66 is not the answer.

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